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PRESS RELEASE

COMMERCIAL TRANSACTIONS OF GREECE : January 2019

(Provisional Data)

The total value of imports-arrivals, in January 2019 amounted to 4,660.3 million euros (5,304.3 million dollars) in comparison with 4,521.8 million euros (5,499.7 million dollars) in January 2018, recording an increase, in euros, of **3.1%**. The corresponding change excluding oil products in January 2019 recorded an increase of 202.2 million euros or 6.5% and the corresponding change excluding oil products and ships in January 2019, recorded an increase of 86.9 million euros or 2.8% (Table 1).

The total value of exports-dispatches, in January 2019 amounted to 2,502.2 million euros (2,865.2 million dollars) in comparison with 2,541.3 million euros (3,109.8 million dollars) in January 2018, recording a drop, in euros, of **1.5%**. The corresponding change excluding oil products recorded in January 2019 an increase of 84.6 million euros or 5.0% and the corresponding change excluding oil products and ships in January 2019 recorded an increase of 85.2 million euros or 5.0% (Table 1).

The deficit of the trade balance, in January 2019 amounted to 2,158.1 million euros (2,439.1 million dollars) in comparison with 1,980.5 million euros (2,389.9 million dollars) in January 2018, recording an increase, in euros, of **9.0%**. The corresponding change of deficit excluding oil products in January 2019 recorded an increase of 117.6 million euros or 8.3% and the corresponding change excluding oil products and ships in January 2019 recorded an increase of 1.7 million euros or 0.1% (Table 1).

The monthly data of Intra EU transactions, have been adjusted to the total trade transactions with EU countries, including the transactions below the statistical threshold ⁽¹⁾, on the basis of the Recapitulative Statements of Intra-EU Deliveries and Acquisitions that are submitted by the enterprises in the Ministry of Finance. Accordingly, the provisional data from the "incomplete customs declarations" have been incorporated in the monthly data on trade with third countries and, after having been completed, they will be replaced by the final data.

⁽¹⁾ By virtue of EU Regulations on the compilation of intra-EU trade statistics, Member States set out a "statistical exemption threshold". On the basis of the exemption threshold, the enterprises whose transactions are below the statistical threshold are exempted from the obligation to submit data on their intra-Community transactions (Intrastat declaration). The aim is to reduce the burden on enterprises. The statistical exemption threshold, valid for each year, is specified and released by ELSTAT on a yearly basis.

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Table 1. Trade Balance : January 2017 - 2019

<i>Million euros</i>					
	January		Changes %		
	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2019 ⁽¹⁾	2018/2017	2019/2018
A. Imports-Arrivals					
I. Total Imports-Arrivals	4,471.3	4,521.8	4,660.3	1.1	3.1
II. Excluding the value of ships	3,561.3	4,459.0	4,482.2	25.2	0.5
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	3,504.1	3,122.6	3,324.8	-10.9	6.5
IV. Excluding oil products and the value of ships	2,594.1	3,059.8	3,146.7	18.0	2.8
B. Exports-Dispatches					
I. Total Exports-Dispatches	2,142.4	2,541.3	2,502.2	18.6	-1.5
II. Excluding the value of ships	2,113.7	2,539.0	2,500.5	20.1	-1.5
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	1,428.2	1,707.3	1,791.9	19.5	5.0
IV. Excluding oil products and the value of ships	1,399.5	1,705.0	1,790.2	21.8	5.0
C. Trade Balance (=B.I-A.I)	-2,328.9	-1,980.5	-2,158.1	-15.0	9.0
D. Trade Balance excluding the value of ships (=B.II - A.II)	-1,447.6	-1,920.0	-1,981.7	32.6	3.2
E. Trade Balance excluding oil products and including the value of ships (=B.III - A.III)	-2,075.9	-1,415.3	-1,532.9	-31.8	8.3
F. Trade Balance excluding oil products and the value of ships (=B.IV - A.IV)	-1,194.6	-1,354.8	-1,356.5	13.4	0.1
USD ⁽²⁾ million					
	January		Changes %		
	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2019 ⁽¹⁾	2018/2017	2019/2018
A. Imports-Arrivals					
I. Total Imports-Arrivals	4,732.0	5,499.7	5,304.3	16.2	-3.6
II. Excluding the value of ships	3,768.9	5,423.3	5,101.6	43.9	-5.9
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	3,708.3	3,797.9	3,784.3	2.4	-0.4
IV. Excluding oil products and the value of ships	2,745.3	3,721.6	3,581.6	35.6	-3.8
B. Exports-Dispatches					
I. Total Exports-Dispatches	2,280.9	3,109.8	2,865.2	36.3	-7.9
II. Excluding the value of ships	2,250.3	3,107.0	2,863.2	38.1	-7.8
III. Excluding oil products and including the value of ships	1,520.6	2,089.3	2,051.9	37.4	-1.8
IV. Excluding oil products and the value of ships	1,490.0	2,086.5	2,049.9	40.0	-1.8
C. Trade Balance (=B.I-A.I)	-2,451.1	-2,389.9	-2,439.1	-2.5	2.1
D. Trade Balance excluding the value of ships (=B.II - A.II)	-1,518.6	-2,316.3	-2,238.4	52.5	-3.4
E. Trade Balance excluding oil products and including the value of ships (=B.III - A.III)	-2,187.7	-1,708.6	-1,732.4	-21.9	1.4
F. Trade Balance excluding oil products and the value of ships (=B.IV - A.IV)	-1,255.3	-1,635.1	-1,531.7	30.3	-6.3

⁽¹⁾ Provisional data.

⁽²⁾ The value in dollars of imports and exports is based on the average exchange rate USD / € of the reporting month in the relevant year.

Table 2. Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches including oil products, January 2017 - 2019

Imports-Arrivals (€ million)

	January			Changes %	
	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2019 ⁽¹⁾	2018/2017	2019/2018
I. European Union	1,845.6	2,153.9	2,190.3	16.7	1.7
II. Third countries	2,625.7	2,367.9	2,470.0	-9.8	4.3
Total	4,471.3	4,521.8	4,660.3	1.1	3.1

Imports-Arrivals (USD ⁽²⁾ million)

	January			Changes %	
	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2019 ⁽¹⁾	2018/2017	2019/2018
I. European Union	1,953.2	2,619.7	2,493.0	34.1	-4.8
II. Third countries	2,778.8	2,880.0	2,811.2	3.6	-2.4
Total	4,732.0	5,499.7	5,304.2	16.2	-3.6

Exports-Dispatches (€ million)

	January			Changes %	
	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2019 ⁽¹⁾	2018/2017	2019/2018
I. European Union	1,153.8	1,313.7	1,484.1	13.9	13.0
II. Third countries	988.6	1,227.6	1,018.1	24.2	-17.1
Total	2,142.4	2,541.3	2,502.2	18.6	-1.5

Exports-Dispatches (USD ⁽²⁾ million)

	January			Changes %	
	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2019 ⁽¹⁾	2018/2017	2019/2018
I. European Union	1,228.4	1,607.5	1,699.4	30.9	5.7
II. Third countries	1,052.5	1,502.3	1,165.8	42.7	-22.4
Total	2,280.9	3,109.8	2,865.2	36.3	-7.9

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Diagram 1. Imports - Arrivals, Exports - Dispatches, January 2017-2019, million €

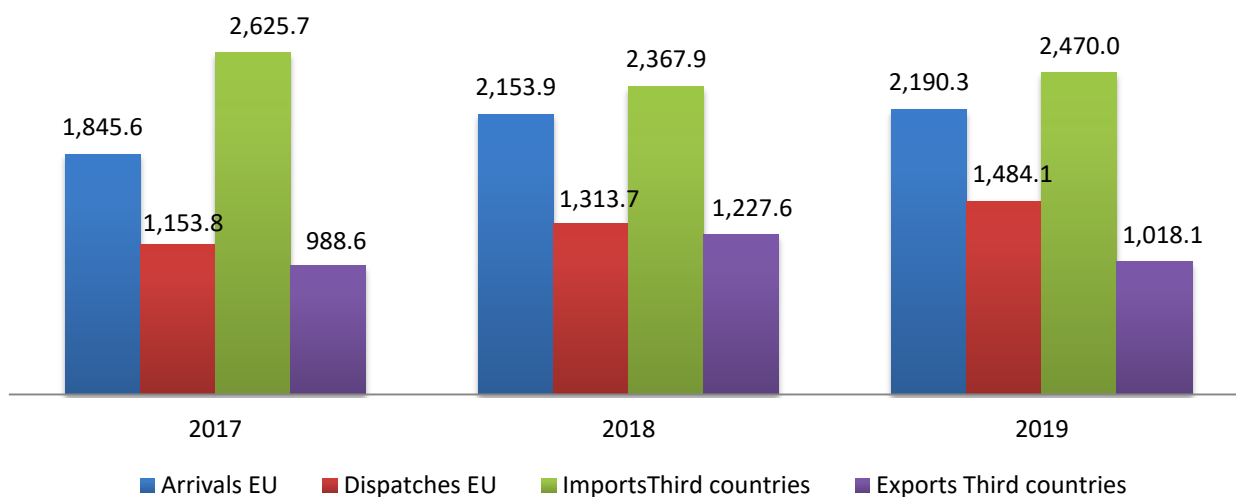


Table 3. Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches excluding oil products, January 2017 - 2019

Imports-Arrivals (€ million)

	January			Changes %	
	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2019 ⁽¹⁾	2018/2017	2019/2018
I. European Union	1,772.6	2,076.1	2,138.9	17.1	3.0
II. Third countries	1,731.5	1,046.5	1,186.0	-39.6	13.3
Total	3,504.1	3,122.6	3,324.9	-10.9	6.5

Imports-Arrivals (USD ⁽²⁾ million)

	January			Changes %	
	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2019 ⁽¹⁾	2018/2017	2019/2018
I. European Union	1,876.0	2,525.0	2,434.4	34.6	-3.6
II. Third countries	1,832.3	1,272.9	1,349.8	-30.5	6.0
Total	3,708.3	3,797.9	3,784.2	2.4	-0.4

Exports-Dispatches (€ million)

	January			Changes %	
	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2019 ⁽¹⁾	2018/2017	2019/2018
I. European Union	1,017.8	1,195.9	1,263.3	17.5	5.6
II. Third countries	410.4	511.4	528.6	24.6	3.4
Total	1,428.2	1,707.3	1,791.9	19.5	5.0

Exports-Dispatches (USD ⁽²⁾ million)

	January			Changes %	
	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2019 ⁽¹⁾	2018/2017	2019/2018
I. European Union	1,083.6	1,463.4	1,446.6	35.0	-1.1
II. Third countries	437.0	625.9	605.3	43.2	-3.3
Total	1,520.6	2,089.3	2,051.9	37.4	-1.8

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Diagram 2. Imports - Arrivals, Exports - Dispatches excluding oil products, January 2017-2019, million €

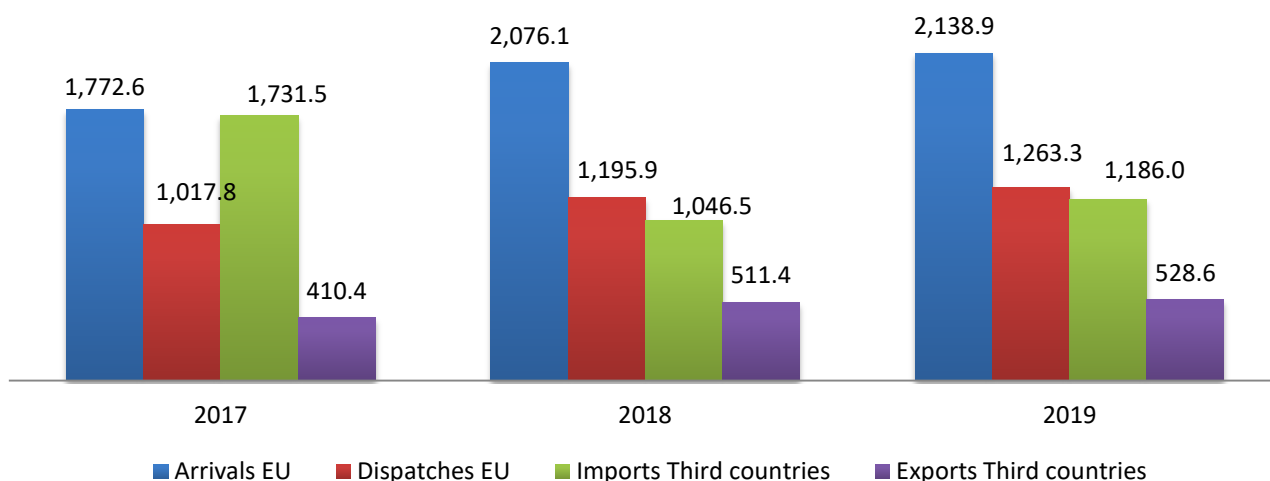


Table 4: Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches excluding oil products and ships, January 2017 - 2019

Imports-Arrivals (€ million)

	January			Changes %	
	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2019 ⁽¹⁾	2018/2017	2019/2018
I. European Union	1,769.8	2,071.3	2,127.8	17.0	2.7
II. Third countries	824.3	988.5	1,019.0	19.9	3.1
Total	2,594.1	3,059.8	3,146.8	18.0	2.8

Imports-Arrivals (USD ⁽²⁾ million)

	January			Changes %	
	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2019 ⁽¹⁾	2018/2017	2019/2018
I. European Union	1,873.0	2,519.3	2,421.8	34.5	-3.9
II. Third countries	872.3	1,202.3	1,159.8	37.8	-3.5
Total	2,745.3	3,721.6	3,581.6	35.6	-3.8

Exports-Dispatches (€ million)

	January			Changes %	
	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2019 ⁽¹⁾	2018/2017	2019/2018
I. European Union	997.0	1,195.4	1,262.9	19.9	5.6
II. Third countries	402.5	509.6	527.3	26.6	3.5
Total	1,399.5	1,705.0	1,790.2	21.8	5.0

Exports-Dispatches (USD ⁽²⁾ million)

	January			Changes %	
	2017 ⁽¹⁾	2018 ⁽¹⁾	2019 ⁽¹⁾	2018/2017	2019/2018
I. European Union	1,061.4	1,462.8	1,446.2	37.8	-1.1
II. Third countries	428.6	623.7	603.7	45.5	-3.2
Total	1,490.0	2,086.5	2,049.9	40.0	-1.8

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Diagram 3. Imports - Arrivals, Exports - Dispatches, excluding oil products and ships, January 2017-2019, million €

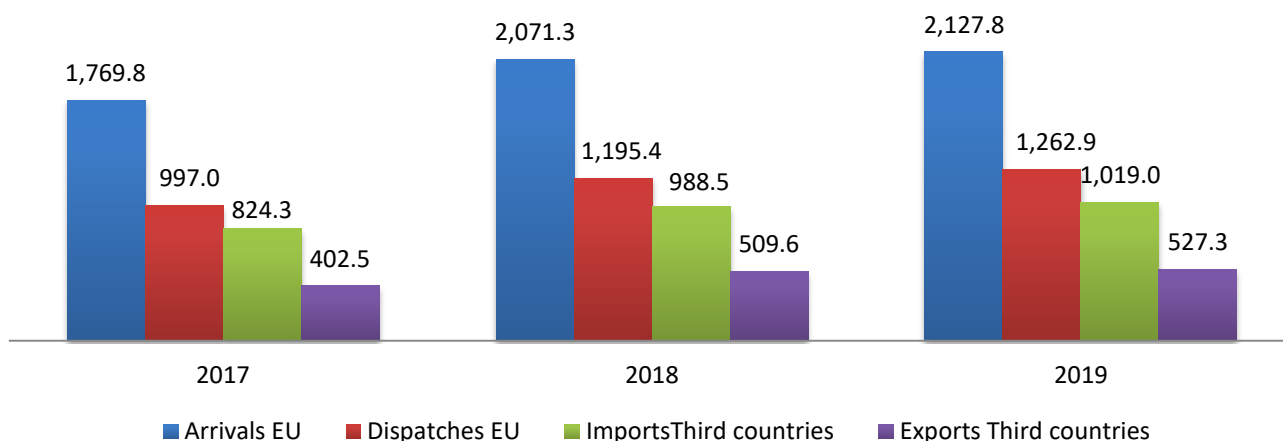


Table 5. Imports - Arrivals and Exports - Dispatches by SITC sections (Standard International Trade Classification) including oil products, January 2019⁽¹⁾

Imports - Arrivals (in million €)

	January 2019		January-January 2019	
	E.U.	Third countries	E.U.	Third countries
Total	2,190.3	2,470.0	2,190.3	2,470.0
0. Food and live animals	345.7	97.8	345.7	97.8
1. Beverages and tobacco	35.3	8.3	35.3	8.3
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	43.2	76.1	43.2	76.1
3. Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc	73.4	1,299.8	73.4	1,299.8
4. Animal and vegetable oils and fats	9.1	6.6	9.1	6.6
5. Chemicals and related products, n.e.s	596.9	127.8	596.9	127.8
6. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by raw material	259.0	247.3	259.0	247.3
7. Machinery and transport equipment	512.4	409.8	512.4	409.8
8. Miscellaneous manufactured articles	314.7	194.1	314.7	194.1
9. Commodities and transactions not classified by category	0.8	2.52	0.8	2.5

Exports - Dispatches (in million €)

	January 2019		January-January 2019	
	E.U.	Third countries	E.U.	Third countries
Total	1,484.1	1,018.1	1,484.1	1,018.1
0. Food and live animals	273.7	79.4	273.7	79.4
1. Beverages and tobacco	27.8	29.4	27.8	29.4
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	41.5	90.2	41.5	90.2
3. Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc	230.0	506.0	230.0	506.0
4. Animal and vegetable oils and fats	38.9	7.4	38.9	7.4
5. Chemicals and related products, n.e.s	261.9	72.0	261.9	72.0
6. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by raw material	260.5	113.5	260.5	113.5
7. Machinery and transport equipment	171.2	60.9	171.2	60.9
8. Miscellaneous manufactured articles	161.3	47.5	161.3	47.5
9. Commodities and transactions not classified by category	17.4	11.6	17.4	11.6

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Diagram 4a. Percentage (%) distribution of E.U. arrivals by SITC sections, January 2019

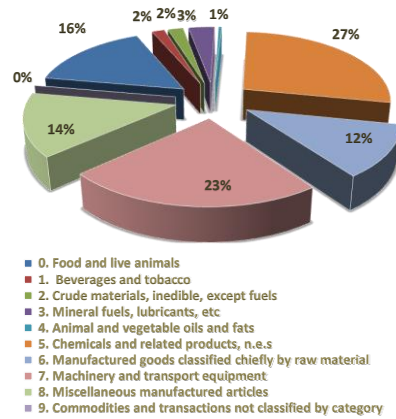


Diagram 4b. Percentage (%) distribution of Third countries imports by SITC sections, January 2019

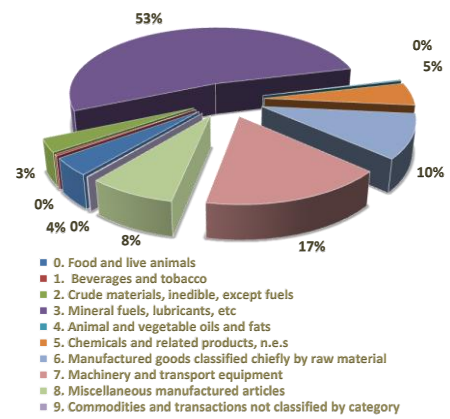


Diagram 5a Percentage (%) distribution of E.U. dispatches by SITC sections, January 2019

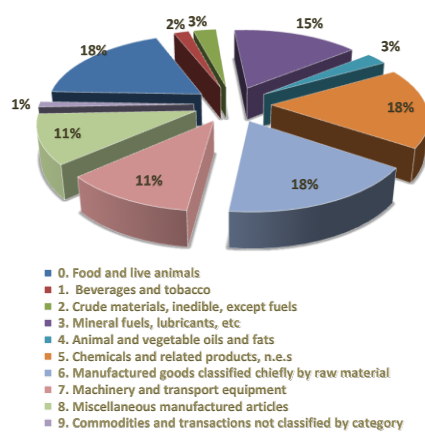


Diagram 5b. Percentage (%) distribution of Third countries exports by SITC sections, January 2019

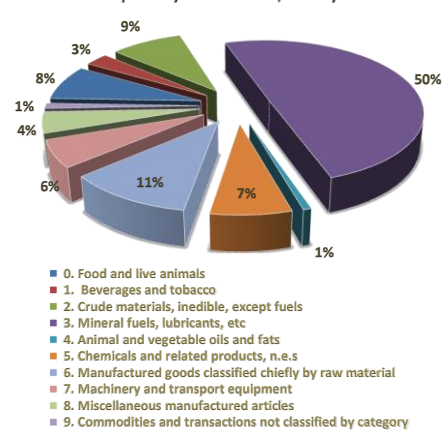


Table 6. Commercial Transactions with EU and Third Countries 2017-2019

Year and Month	Imports - Arrivals			Exports - Dispatches		
	Value in million €	Monthly Changes %	Changes % compared with the corresponding month of the previous year	Value in million €	Monthly Changes %	Changes % compared with the corresponding month of the previous year
2017 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ : 1	4,471.3	13.3	52.4	2,142.4	-8.1	24.8
2	4,173.0	-6.7	16.1	2,107.9	-1.6	10.4
3	4,782.9	14.6	30.2	2,659.8	26.2	26.8
4	4,152.0	-13.2	-1.6	2,320.7	-12.8	9.6
5	4,316.1	4.0	21.2	2,571.9	10.8	26.0
6	3,913.9	-9.3	7.5	2,408.0	-6.4	13.1
7	3,988.9	1.9	9.1	2,429.7	0.9	7.3
8	3,704.6	-7.1	16.0	2,034.2	-16.3	4.5
9	3,773.4	1.9	0.0	2,426.8	19.3	2.1
10	4,734.2	25.5	15.5	2,514.9	3.6	9.6
11	4,081.3	-13.8	4.7	2,617.0	4.1	16.9
12	4,259.6	4.4	7.9	2,645.0	1.1	13.5
Total year	50,351.0		13.9	28,878.3		13.4
2018 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ : 1	4,521.8	6.2	1.1	2,541.3	-3.9	18.6
2	4,139.5	-8.5	-0.8	2,425.2	-4.6	15.1
3	4,525.5	9.3	-5.4	2,897.9	19.5	9.0
4	4,359.1	-3.7	5.0	2,614.3	-9.8	12.7
5	4,440.4	1.9	2.9	2,955.2	13.0	14.9
6	5,012.7	12.9	28.1	3,032.4	2.6	25.9
7	5,058.3	0.9	26.8	2,959.4	-2.4	21.8
8	4,463.0	-11.8	20.5	2,566.4	-13.3	26.2
9	4,559.8	2.2	20.8	2,668.2	4.0	9.9
10	5,215.2	14.4	10.2	3,145.3	17.9	25.1
11	4,592.6	-11.9	12.5	3,052.4	-3.0	16.6
12	4,283.6	-6.7	0.6	2,590.3	-15.1	-2.1
Total year	55,171.5		9.6	33,448.4		15.8
2019 ⁽¹⁾ : 1	4,660.3	8.8	3.1	2,502.2	-3.4	-1.5

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Diagram 6. Commercial Transactions with EU & Third countries 2017-2019

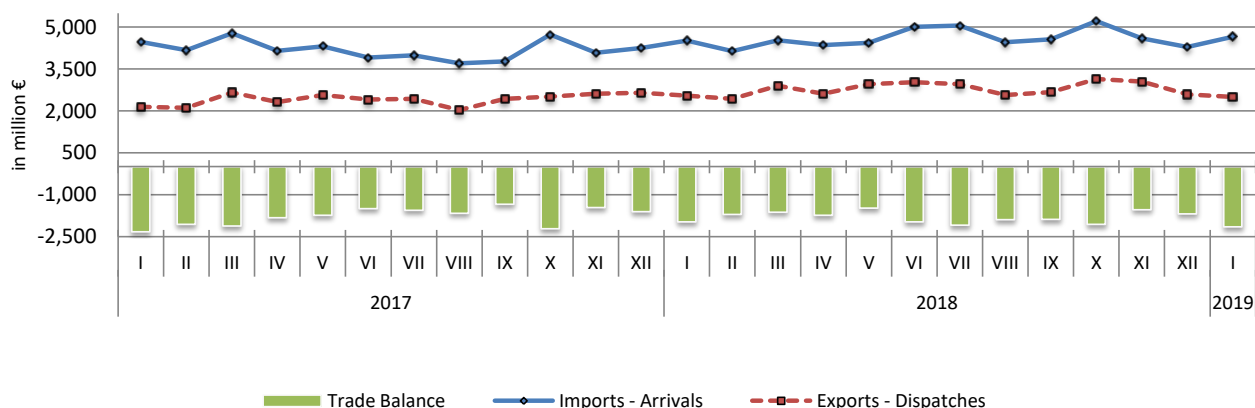


Table 7. Commercial Transactions with EU and Third Countries 2017 - 2019 excluding oil products

Year and Month	Imports - Arrivals			Exports - Dispatches		
	Value in million €	Monthly Changes %	Changes % compared with the corresponding month of the previous year	Value in million €	Monthly Changes %	Changes % compared with the corresponding month of the previous year
2017 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ : 1	3,504.1	24.0	45.2	1,428.3	-12.9	7.4
2	3,118.8	-11.0	5.3	1,480.4	3.7	-1.3
3	3,456.3	10.8	13.4	1,863.4	25.9	13.7
4	3,384.0	-2.1	-5.0	1,522.8	-18.3	-5.5
5	3,367.4	-0.5	18.3	1,725.9	13.3	20.2
6	3,113.9	-7.5	4.9	1,791.1	3.8	12.1
7	3,081.7	-1.0	6.0	1,710.4	-4.5	1.3
8	2,548.6	-17.3	4.5	1,380.3	-19.3	9.2
9	2,989.3	17.3	3.1	1,694.6	22.8	1.8
10	3,521.7	17.8	12.2	1,802.8	6.4	12.8
11	3,362.6	-4.5	16.8	1,817.1	0.8	7.9
12	3,046.2	-9.4	7.8	1,794.3	-1.3	9.4
Total year	38,494.5		10.3	20,011.4		7.3
2018 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ : 1	3,122.7	2.5	-10.9	1,707.3	-4.8	19.5
2	3,141.3	0.6	0.7	1,696.1	-0.7	14.6
3	3,468.3	10.4	0.3	2,020.7	19.1	8.4
4	3,045.5	-12.2	-10.0	1,729.3	-14.4	13.6
5	3,343.3	9.8	-0.7	1,884.5	9.0	9.2
6	3,487.3	4.3	12.0	2,088.5	10.8	16.6
7	3,841.1	10.1	24.6	1,925.2	-7.8	12.6
8	2,991.2	-22.1	17.4	1,527.1	-20.7	10.6
9	3,157.9	5.6	5.6	1,746.0	14.3	3.0
10	3,624.0	14.8	2.9	2,023.2	15.9	12.2
11	3,317.9	-8.4	-1.3	2,003.3	-1.0	10.2
12	3,111.1	-6.2	2.1	1,828.0	-8.8	1.9
Total year	39,651.7		3.0	22,179.2		10.8
2019 ⁽¹⁾ : 1	3,324.9	6.9	6.5	1,791.9	-2.0	5.0

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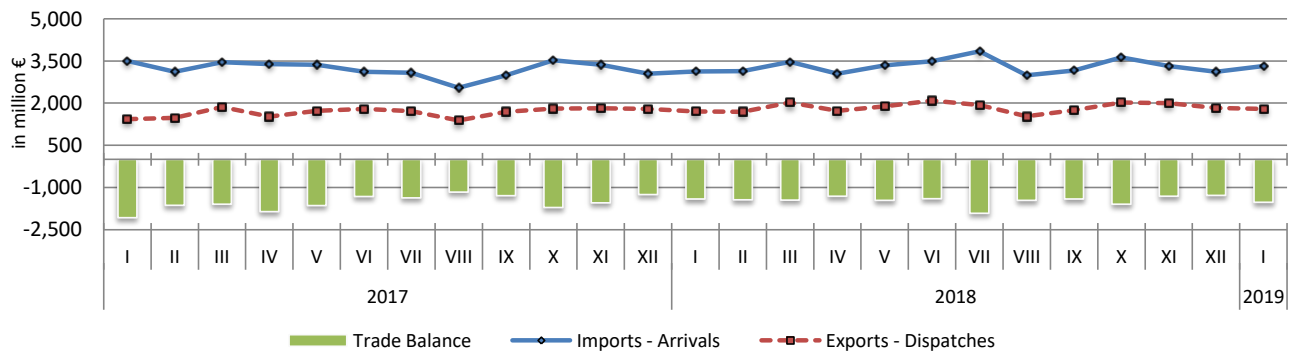


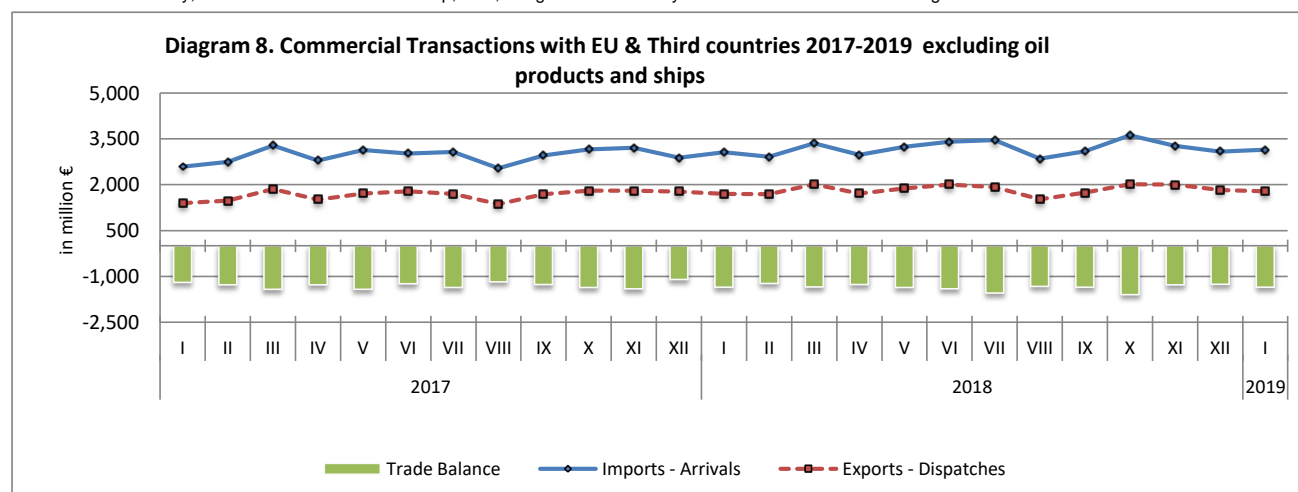
Table 8. Commercial Transactions with EU and Third Countries 2017 - 2019 excluding oil products and ships

Year and Month	Imports - Arrivals			Exports - Dispatches		
	Value in million €	Monthly Changes %	Changes % compared with the corresponding month of the previous year	Value in million €	Monthly Changes %	Changes % compared with the corresponding month of the previous year
2017 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ : 1	2,594.0	-5.6	12.1	1,399.5	-14.2	5.5
2	2,753.2	6.1	0.5	1,479.2	5.7	-1.2
3	3,283.5	19.3	10.1	1,860.5	25.8	13.7
4	2,790.1	-15.0	-0.8	1,516.6	-18.5	-4.0
5	3,135.4	12.4	13.1	1,715.4	13.1	20.6
6	3,024.1	-3.6	4.8	1,780.7	3.8	12.8
7	3,069.7	1.5	8.3	1,706.5	-4.2	2.0
8	2,543.4	-17.1	7.0	1,366.2	-19.9	8.5
9	2,959.7	16.4	2.2	1,691.6	23.8	1.7
10	3,158.2	6.7	16.3	1,801.3	6.5	12.8
11	3,211.4	1.7	11.6	1,804.1	0.2	8.0
12	2,880.5	-10.3	4.8	1,777.7	-1.5	9.0
Total year	35,403.2		7.5	19,899.4		7.4
2018 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ : 1	3,059.8	6.2	18.0	1,705.1	-4.1	21.8
2	2,919.4	-4.6	6.0	1,687.4	-1.0	14.1
3	3,357.8	15.0	2.3	2,011.6	19.2	8.1
4	2,981.6	-11.2	6.9	1,713.1	-14.8	13.0
5	3,244.8	8.8	3.5	1,881.0	9.8	9.7
6	3,410.5	5.1	12.8	2,009.9	6.9	12.9
7	3,459.1	1.4	12.7	1,918.0	-4.6	12.4
8	2,848.5	-17.7	12.0	1,525.5	-20.5	11.7
9	3,093.0	8.6	4.5	1,739.2	14.0	2.8
10	3,612.8	16.8	14.4	2,020.4	16.2	12.2
11	3,276.5	-9.3	2.0	2,000.0	-1.0	10.9
12	3,084.8	-5.9	7.1	1,826.7	-8.7	2.8
Total year	38,348.8		8.3	22,037.9		10.7
2019 ⁽¹⁾ : 1	3,146.8	2.0	2.8	1,790.2	-2.0	5.0

(1)Provisional data

(2) It should be noticed that the timeseries of imports/arrivals and exports/dispatches of goods are re-calculated every time that a new observation is added and, therefore, they may differ from the corresponding timeseries published in the previous Press Release.

* Wherever necessary, the data have been rounded up, thus, a slight difference may occur between the sum of the figures and their total.



EXPLANATORY NOTES

Commercial Transactions of Greece	The Commercial Transactions of Greece are recorded on a monthly basis aiming at monitoring the total value of Imports-Arrivals, Exports-Dispatches as well as the relevant changes of the above-mentioned categories. Transactions referring to services are not included, while they are taken into account for the compilation of the National Accounts tables, along with the commercial transactions.
Legal Framework	<p>The survey is conducted in compliance with the requirements laid down in the following E.U. Regulations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intra - EU TRADE: Regulation 638/2004, as it was amended by Regulations 222/2009, 1093/2013 and 659/2014. • Extrastat: Regulation 471/2009
Reference Period	January 2019
Availability of Results	38 days after the end of the reference month (provisional data). The provisional data are revised and disseminated on a monthly basis for all the previous months until the finalization of the yearly data, which takes place ten months after the end of the reference year.
Definitions	<p>INTRASTAT is the system for collecting Intra EU statistical data (among the EU countries). It was implemented on January 1st, 1993.</p> <p>Arrival is considered every import of goods from a country of the EU.</p> <p>Dispatch is considered every export of goods to a country of the EU.</p> <p>EXTRASTAT is the system for collecting external trade data with third countries (countries outside the EU).</p> <p>Import is considered every import of goods from a third country (outside the EU).</p> <p>Export is considered every export of goods to a third country (outside the EU).</p>
Methodology	<p>INTRASTAT: It is an exhaustive statistical survey. The parties responsible for providing statistical information through Intrastat System are the enterprises which perform intra EU trade transactions and they have exceeded the applied statistical thresholds. The statistical thresholds are readjusted each year. The statistical thresholds for 2019 are the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrivals: € 150,000.00 (95.0% coverage) • Dispatches: € 90,000.00 (98.0% coverage) <p>The statistical data of Intra EU-Trade include also the transactions of the enterprises, which are not obliged to submit Intrastat data since the value of their transactions is below the applied statistical threshold. In compliance with the obligations provided in the EU Regulations regarding the compilation of external trade statistics, these transactions are calculated on the basis of the Recapitulative Statements of Intra-EU Deliveries and Acquisitions that all the enterprises are obliged to submit to the Ministry of Finance.</p> <p>ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION: Intrastat declarations are submitted electronically via the following links: http://eurostat.statistics.gr or www.statistics.gr.</p> <p>EXTRASTAT: It is a statistical survey where data are collected by administrative sources. The Customs Authorities collect the relevant statistical data on trade by filling in the Single Administrative Document (SAD). All the transactions with third countries above the amount of 1,000 euros are registered. In the beginning of each month Customs Authorities transmit to Hellenic Statistical Authority an electronic file with the customs data of statistical relevance of the previous month.</p> <p>The statistical data of imports and exports of goods with the Third Countries, are derived from the data transmitted by the Customs Authorities.</p> <p>The incorporation, henceforth, of the provisional data from the "incomplete customs declarations" - which concern mainly petroleum products - in the monthly data on trade with third countries; the "incomplete customs declarations" data after having been completed will be replaced by the final data.</p> <p>IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF SHIPS: The data on imports and exports of ships from Third Countries are transmitted by the Customs Authorities and they are based on data pertaining to the registration and de-registration of ships under the Greek flag.</p> <p>Classification of goods: The goods are classified in compliance with the 8-digit Combined Nomenclature Code (CN/8) and the Standard International Trade Classification (SITC).</p>
References	More information concerning the survey on Commercial Transactions is available on the website of the Hellenic Statistical Authority (www.statistics.gr) under the link "Statistical Themes / Trade - Services / Imports-Exports / External Trade.